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APPLICANT: Dan Aharoni, et al. GROUP ART UNIT: 2128

U.S.S.N.: 10/786.965 CONFIRMATION NO.: 4123

FILING DATE: February 25, 2004 EXAMINER: Patel, Shambhavik

CUSTOMER NO. 24227

TITLE: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SIMULATING PERFORMANCE OF ONE OR

MORE DATA STORAGE SYSTEMS WITH UTILIZATION INPUT

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 13, 2008. This response is being filed with the appropriate fee under the rules of 37 CFR and a petition for a 1 month extension of time to reply to the above-cited action is being submitted herewith; no additional fees are believed due however, any fees required for consideration of this paper (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged in one originally-executed and one copy of the Transmittal Form filed herewith.

Please amend the subject application, as follows:

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this

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